

### REMARKS

The Office Action mailed August 6, 2007 has been received and reviewed. Claims 1-18 are in the case. Claims 1-18 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claims 1-18 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101.

By this paper, claims 1-18 have been cancelled and claims 19-34 have been added. For the reasons set forth below, claims 19-34 are believed to be in condition for immediate allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks is, therefore, respectfully requested.

#### Rejection of Claims 1-18 Under 35 U.S.C. 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 1-18 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. However, claims 1-18 have now been canceled. Moreover, while newly added claims 19-34 are directed to the similar subject matter, Applicant finds that they avoid the antecedency informalities identified by the examiner in the now canceled claims. Accordingly, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

#### Rejection of Claims 1-18 Under 35 U.S.C. §101

Claims 1-18 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. However, claims 1-18 have now been canceled. Moreover, newly added claims 19-34, while directed to the subject matter of claims 1-18, more specifically articulate the methods, software, and hardware for supporting encrypted communication between computers.

Applicant asserts that the recited encryption steps are functional and useful in well established computer applications. Accordingly, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

In the event that the examiner finds any remaining impediment to the prompt allowance of any of these claims, which could be clarified in a telephone conference, the examiner is respectfully urged to initiate the same with the undersigned.

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